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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Canal Proposals

THE Egyptian memorandum containing five proposals for the resumption of traffic through the Suez Canal is marked among other things, for its moderate, almost sober, wording. There is a clear endeavour to persuade the world of good intentions, notably Egypt's declaration that she is determined to "respect in letter and spirit" the 1888 Convention. At first sight the Egyptian proposals do not impress themselves as being objectionable. What is noticeable, however, is that the memorandum makes no reference to negotiations and studiously ignores the Security Council's six-point resolution of last October which specifically called for a negotiated agreement between Egypt and the users of the Canal.

By the terms of the document Egypt reserves for herself the right to administer the Canal, to collect the dues, or alternatively to nominate an Authority to do so, and to carry out maintenance work. And all these rights and responsibilities Egypt proposes to assume forthwith, bypassing an interim settlement which the Western powers have proposed.

THE memorandum, by inference rather than in actual statement, rejects the proposals advanced by Britain, France and the United States that until a final agreement on the operation of the Canal is reached, the World Bank should collect Canal dues. Nevertheless it is significant that Egypt reserves the right to nominate a body to collect dues on her behalf, thus not wholly slamming the door on the proposition that the World Bank should act as the collecting and handling agent. This suggests an effort to win in particular American sympathy for the Egyptian plan.

Timing of the release of the memorandum also bears some importance. It has been made public on the eve of the Bermuda talks where without doubt it must figure in the deliberations between President Eisenhower and Mr Macmillan. Moreover it must be the hope of Colonel Nasser that Mr Eisenhower will be impressed with what appears to be reasonable proposals and will urge upon the British Prime Minister their acceptance. If the document does win the sympathy of the American President the discussions at Bermuda may become rather more forthright than anticipated.

EGYPT'S expressed determination to respect fully the 1888 Convention implies that providing she is allowed to enjoy full control over the Canal, the waterway will remain open for all shipping. And it can be noted that the memorandum contains no reference to the possibility of interfering with the rights of Israel or any other nation to the use of the Canal. But it would be unwise to draw hard and fast conclusions from this. Egypt insists that she is still in a state of war with Israel and while that pertains, she must maintain her policy of denying Israeli shipping right to use the Canal. Egypt herself does not envisage immediate ending of the state of war, but she does obviously expect to assume working control of the Canal when it has been cleared for all types of ships. In such a situation it would be impossible for Egypt to honour to the full her obligations under the 1888 Convention.

There does appear to be opportunity for negotiations based on the Egyptian memorandum, but its unqualified acceptance by the principal users of the Canal is highly improbable. The whole subject may yet have to be tossed back to the UN Security Council.

# MACMILLAN LEAVES FOR BERMUDA

## Meeting With Eisenhower Can Lay Foundations To Solve Future Problems

### They Meet Here

London, Mar. 19.

Mr Harold Macmillan left here tonight for his four-day Bermuda talks with President Eisenhower declaring his confidence that a "great deal" would be gained from the meeting.

The Prime Minister, accompanied by Britain's Foreign Secretary, Mr Selwyn Lloyd, and the United States Ambassador to London, Mr John Whitney, was flying through the night in a British Overseas Airways Corporation Stratocruiser.

The plane is scheduled to arrive at Bermuda at 1000 hours local time (1400 GMT) tomorrow after a short refuelling stop at Gander, Newfoundland.

Mr Macmillan will confer with the President between Thursday and Sunday and will then meet Mr Louis St Laurent, the Canadian Prime Minister, before flying home on March 27.

Mr Macmillan, who was seen off by Mr R. A. Butler, the Home Secretary, told reporters at London Airport he was looking forward to the talks for two reasons.

"The first is that it is a great thing we are having this meeting on British soil—one of the oldest British possessions of the Crown," he said.

"Then it will be very nice to meet a very old friend.

"I have known him since the days of the war, when I worked at his headquarters as British Resident Minister.

"We had a lot of very tough problems to deal with and we made great friends.

#### TALK FRANKLY

One of the advantages of friendship is that you can talk frankly among friends.

"This is one occasion when the British will be quite frank, and I feel sure the Americans will be quite frank about what they feel.

"Partnership and friendship are of the greatest importance.

"I am confident a great deal will be gained by this meeting, because it will be in the spirit of friends who have worked together in difficult times in the past, and who are trying to work together in the difficult times of today.

"I never believe these meetings achieve solutions to all the great problems, but you can lay the foundation for a solution to the problems as they come up week by week and month by month."

"That is because you know what is in the minds of your

#### ANGLO-AMERICAN FLAGS FLY IN WELCOME

Hamilton, Mar. 19.

The Union Jack and Stars and Stripes fluttered from many houses here today on the eve of the arrival of President Eisenhower and Mr Harold Macmillan.

A 21-gun salute will greet Mr Eisenhower as he steps ashore here tomorrow from the cruiser Canberra for his talks on world affairs with the British Prime Minister.

Mr Macmillan and his Foreign Secretary, Mr Selwyn Lloyd, are due later. They will drive to Alton's Point, in a corner of Hamilton harbour, to greet the President.

THIRD IN SERIES

Mr John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, will arrive by air two hours later than originally anticipated.

This is the third in a series of recent conferences held by Mr Eisenhower with other Western leaders. Recently he has welcomed to Washington M. Guy Mollet, the French Prime Minister, and Dr Heinrich von Brentano, the West German Foreign Minister.

United States officials said that the talks with Mr Macmillan would be a culminating point in the President's attempt to restore confidence in the Western alliance, which was split when the United States opposed Anglo-French intervention in Egypt.

#### FRUSTRATED

The original United Nations plan was for the Security Council to be a body primarily concerned with world peace. But frustrated by the Soviet use of the veto, the United States, supported by Britain and France, drew up a resolution which enabled the General Assembly to act if a veto prevents the Security Council from taking action.

The United States made first use of this procedure to bring (Cont'd. on back page, Col. 3)

#### NO BAN ON HK GLOVES

London, Mar. 19. The President of the British Board of Trade, Sir David Eccles, has decided not to restrict imports of knitted and fabric gloves from Hongkong, the National Association of Glove Manufacturers announced today.

Sir David in a letter had told them: "Hongkong is a colony and we do not impose a protective tariff upon imports from one of Her Majesty's colonies."

"In this great conference there will be meetings of heads alone, other restricted meetings, and then meetings of great quantities of advisers."

"You have to use all the methods in meetings of this kind."

When asked if the industrial situation in Britain would cause a curtailment of his visit, Mr Macmillan said: "I trust not. I think it is my duty to keep this industrial competition."

Referring to problems to be discussed at the conference, Mr Macmillan said some were

short-term and some long-term.

"I think you have got to get a general understanding, and then you can come back and study all the problems," he declared.

Asked if he intended playing with the President at golf at Bermuda, Mr Macmillan replied: "I am not taking my clubs, but I daresay I could borrow some."

"I am not a very good golfer, and I understand the President is rather good."

#### RECEIVED BY QUEEN

With this golfing quip, Mr Macmillan left the press to chat with Mr Butler before entering his aircraft.

Two and a half hours before his flight was due to take off, Mr Macmillan was received by Queen Elizabeth in audience at Buckingham Palace.—Reuter.

No Evasion Of Quota By Japanese

Washington, Mar. 19. Cotton goods made in Hongkong from Japanese fabric and shipped to the United States are not considered an evasion of Japan's voluntarily imposed export quota on apparel and other cotton items, the Commerce Department disclosed today.

Mr Harold McClellan, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Affairs, said the Department had investigated a number of reports that shirts, gloves and other goods were being made in Hongkong of Japanese fabric and being exported to the United States to evade the quota.

He said the Department had found the Japanese were not violating the agreement to restrict their cotton exports to the United States. He pointed out that, since the finished goods were produced in Hongkong, that was the country of origin, not Japan.—United Press.

#### 19 THOUGHT DEAD IN AIR CRASH

La Paz, Mar. 19. Nineteen people were today believed to have been killed when a DC-3 Bolivian commercial airlines plane crashed in the mountains between Cichambra and Oruro over the weekend.

The plane was carrying 16 passengers and three crew members. The crew of a search plane sighted the burned out debris of the aircraft and reported they saw no signs of life.—Franco-Presse.

Algiers, Mar. 19.

A military tribunal today sentenced to death four Algerians for planting two time bombs at two city football stadiums on February 10 which killed 18 persons and wounded 50 others.

Three persons were acquited.—United Press.

A view of the Mid-Ocean Club, Bermuda, where Mr Macmillan, the British Prime Minister, will meet President Eisenhower.

#### RED DISARMAMENT SHIFT?

#### May Tolerate Troops In West Germany

London, Mar. 19. Russia's newest disarmament blueprint has indicated Soviet willingness to tolerate American and British troops in West Germany after years of opposition, Western sources said today.

Immediate abandonment of "all foreign bases" has been a key point to Soviet disarmament proposals in past years, but the text of the Soviet Foreign Minister's address to the UN Disarmament Sub-Committee yesterday indicated a possible shift.

In one section, Western experts said, he repeated the call to both East and West to relinquish foreign bases—a call which the West has always interpreted as a demand for US withdrawal from Europe.

Mr John Peyton, Conservative member of Parliament for Yeovil, whose constituency includes a large section of the glove-making industry, stated today that he considered the letter "unsatisfactory."

Imports of knitted gloves have soared in the past two years and now greatly exceed the total British production, according to the Association.—Reuter.

And In America . . .

#### ESCAPEE ASKS FOR MEAL

London, Mar. 19. A prisoner who escaped from Dartmoor gave himself up to an English housewife, the wife of a colonel, today.

Harper G. Woodward, who escaped from Dartmoor several days ago, rang the doorbell of Mrs Joan Phayre this morning. He said he was the criminal the police were hunting, adding that he was dying of hunger and wished to give himself up.

Mrs Phayre called her son, an artillery major, who watched Woodward while his mother telephoned to the police. Before they arrived, the hungry prisoner ate a hearty breakfast prepared by his hostess.

Woodward's cell-mate, N. Ellis, who escaped with him at the same time, was recaptured on Sunday not far from Colonel Phayre's home.—Franco-Presse.

London, Mar. 19. An explosion rocked the Columbia power plant at Frederickson, south of here this afternoon. The Pierce County coroner's office said positively there were four persons killed in the blast.

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DEATH PENALTY BILL PASSED

London, Mar. 19. A GOVERNMENT bill to re-strict the death penalty in Britain to types of murder likely to endanger public order was passed by the House of Lords tonight.

As it has already been passed by the House of Commons, it now only requires the formal Royal signature to become law.

The types of murder which will still carry the death penalty

#### Ben-Gurion Warns Nasser

New York, Mar. 19. Newsweek magazine today published an interview with Mr David Ben-Gurion, Israeli Prime Minister, in which he is quoted as saying that "if (President) Nasser tries to block our historic and legal passage into the Gulf of Aqaba we will meet him not at a peace table, but elsewhere with our armies."

Mr Ben-Gurion gave the interview to Newsweek's correspondent in Tel Aviv on Saturday.

The correspondent, Curtis Pepper, quoted Mr Ben-Gurion as saying he would prefer "to sit down with leaders of the Arab world and work out a settlement that would end the unrelenting eye-for-an-eye, tooth-for-a-tooth Middle Eastern struggle."

But he saw little chance of that happening, the report added. "Nasser is irrevocably dedicated to the destruction of Israel," he said.—Reuter.

London, Mar. 19. An Israeli army spokesman said tonight that an Israeli patrol and a band of armed Jordanians had fought a one-hour gun battle earlier today.

The spokesman said the gun battle occurred in the Mount Hebron area, south of Jerusalem. There were no Israeli casualties.

He said the Jordanians had crossed into Israeli territory near El Yair leading a herd of cattle.

The Israeli patrol attempted to drive the herd off Israeli soil and came under Jordanian fire.—Reuter.

Those who kill a second time or murder a policeman or prison officer will also be liable to life imprisonment, the Royal Special.

Other murderers will be liable to life imprisonment.—China Mail Special.





# THEY'RE HAPPY TO BE IN THE ARMY



## IKE TO ASK FOR BIG STAND-BY FUND

### \$400 Million Demand May Be Put Before Congress

Washington, Mar. 19. President Eisenhower plans to ask Congress for a special foreign aid fund of about \$400 million for emergency projects.

## BRITISH FIRM SHARES ATOMIC PLANT CONTRACT

London, Mar. 19. A British and an American company announced today that they will build the world's first "boiling water-type" nuclear power plant for a German power company (Rheinische-Westfälische Elektrizitätswerke) on the River Rhine.

Britain's Mitchell Engineering, Ltd., said it will construct the £1,750,000 plant in co-operation with a subsidiary of the American Machine and Foundry Corp. of New York. The site is expected to be between Dusseldorf and Cologne.

A spokesman for Mitchell said the plant will develop 15 megawatts of electric power. Construction is to begin in July with completion scheduled for the second half of 1958.

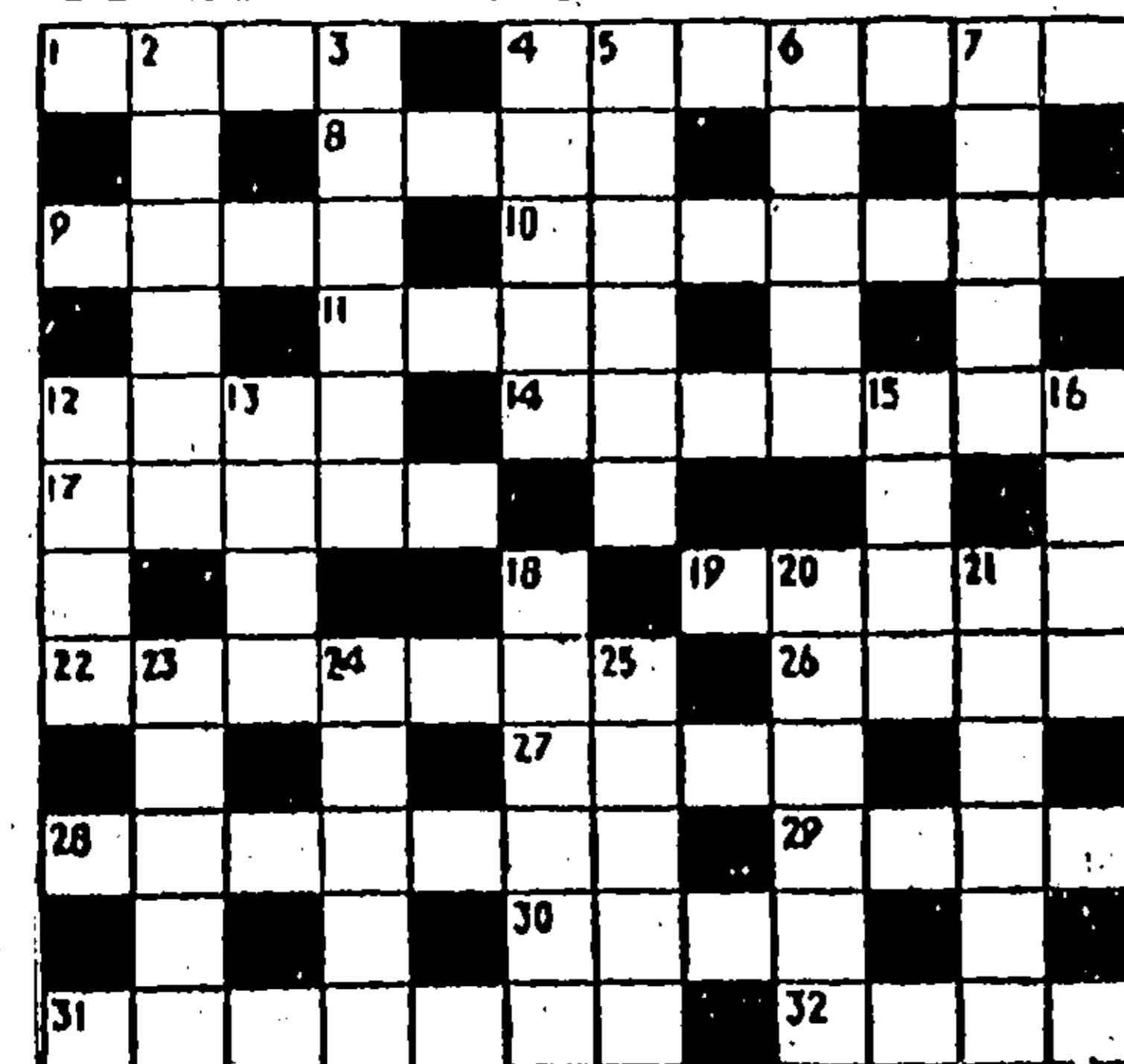
### URANIUM SUPPLY

This will make West Germany the world's third nation with full-size atomic power plants. Britain already has one in operation and seven under consideration. The first American plant is due for completion by 1958.

A.M.F. Atomics, Inc., a subsidiary of American Machine and Foundry, will supply the uranium for the submerged-core type reactor.

Presumably the fuel will come from the American Atomic Energy Commission under President Eisenhower's atoms-for-peace plan.—United Press.

### A British Crossword Puzzle



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- Ghost (7).
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- Tale of herculean (4).
- Flower (5).
- Solitary (5).
- Mourns (7).
- Grew old (4).
- Repose (4).
- Bird of prey (7).
- Consumes (4).
- Dash (4).
- Lucky charms (7).
- Fastened (4).

**DOWN**

- Robot (8).
- Obliterate (6).
- Nuances (5).
- Say again (6).
- One's choice of tools (5).
- Scion (5).
- Nobelman (4).
- Detail (4).
- Engor (4).
- Surveyed (4).
- Thoroughfare (6).
- Hidden (6).
- Cuddle up (6).
- Abrast (6).
- Laud (6).
- Dispose of (6).

**TUESDAY'S CROSSWORD.**—Across: 1 Repon, 8 Viper, 9 Muller, 10 Cider, 11 Dives, 12 Need, 13 Scare, 14 Syrups, 15 Ended, 16 Pail, 17 Edges, 18 Stare, 19 Ribbed, 20 Enter, 21 Shoddy, 22 Defend, 23 Illuminated, 24 Separately, 25 Limited, 26 Recedes, 27 O'Brien, 28 Separately, 29 Declined, 30 Sudden, 31 Reversed, 32 Fasted.

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## Hungarian Delegation Going To Moscow

Budapest, Mar. 20. The Hungarian Government last night announced that an eight-man delegation led by the Prime Minister Janos Kadar, will leave for Moscow today "to start negotiations with the Soviet Communist Party and Government."

It was believed in Western diplomatic circles that the talks would follow the lines of other recent "solidarity" meetings between Soviet Communist leaders and party chiefs from East European countries.

### Economic Aid

Observers said they expected the discussions would produce an agreement on Russian long-term economic aid and a formula for retaining Soviet troops in Hungary.

Soviet-Hungarian trade talks have been going on for several weeks in Budapest and Moscow.—China Mail Special.

## Tai Ping Cannons Found

London, Mar. 19. Three 100-year-old cannons have been discovered in Anhwei province, according to the New China News Agency today. They belonged to the period of the Tai Ping revolution.

One of the three cannons weighed 361 kg. and bore the inscription "Tai Ping sacred cannon," as well as the year, 1855, and the place, Anhwei province, where the three cannons were made.—Reuter.

### Foreign Aid

In his budget message, the President asked Congress for \$4.4 billion for foreign aid in the fiscal year beginning July 1. This includes \$2.5 billion for military assistance and \$1.9 billion for non-military foreign aid programmes.—United Press.

### New Government

Budapest, Mar. 19. The 38th anniversary of the 1919 Bolyai Kun revolution, will be officially celebrated in Hungary next Thursday. It was announced here today. Kun was a leading Hungarian Communist.—Franco-Presse.

### Japan's Alarming Incidence of Mental Disorders

By BRIAN KENNEDY

One in every 70 Japanese suffers from some kind of mental disorder, according to estimates quoted in a Japanese Ministry of Welfare white paper.

About 1,300,000 Japanese are considered psychotic, it says, and in need of immediate medical treatment. About 450,000 suffer from such mental disorders as split personality, epilepsy, and disorders caused by venereal disease.

A total of 580,000 persons are classified as weak-minded and another 270,000 persons suffer from intoxication, alienation and other minor mental disorders.

A Ministry of Health spokesman, commenting on the white paper, said the number of mental institutions in Japan was totally inadequate.

He complained that many qualified psychiatrists prefer to set up private practices in the large cities and, he declared, waste their talents on non-

Yes! Smiling and happy are these seven Nigerian and Ghanaian recruits at the British Army Apprentices' School at Harrogate. They are aged 15 to 17 and are the second intake of boys from Africa to go to the school. There are 40 Burmese boys there too.—C.O.I. Photo.

## America Needs Army That Is 'Harder-hitting'

Washington, Mar. 19. The Association of the U.S. Army today attacked the Defence Secretary, Mr Charles Wilson, for his guided missiles policies and called for a "harder hitting" Army as essential to American security.

The Association is composed of Army veterans and other supporters and includes regular Army personnel as non-voting members. Its president is John Slezak, former Army Undersecretary.

The Association set forth its views in a 30-page document entitled "The Security of the Nation—a Study of Current Problems of National Defense."

The document called for elimination of Mr Wilson's controversial plan on Army development of ballistic missiles with a range of more than 200 miles. It also challenged restrictions.

Mr Wilson has placed on the size of aeroplanes which the Army can use.

### CHALLENGE

Challenging current U.S. strategic concepts, the Association said that "massive retaliation" was no longer the "official policy of our country" but the Defence Department nonetheless still put major reliance on air-atomic forces.

"The Association of the U.S. Army supports strongly the view that we require a much greater capability for measured retaliation, a flexibility that will permit us selectively to apply force appropriate to the situation or in a word to make the punishment fit the crime," said the document.

It said that in view of the greater likelihood of small wars than large ones, the United States "cannot rely preponderantly on nuclear weapons as the basic means of exerting our military power."

It said the Middle East, Western Europe, Greece, Turkey and other areas around Russia were trouble spots where little wars could break out and nuclear weapons would be impracticable.—United Press.

### UN Quest Is Peace In Mideast

Washington, Mar. 19. The Assistant Secretary of State, Mr Francis Wilcox, said today the United States was still seeking through the United Nations the basis for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East.

Mr Wilcox said the UN was the best hope we have for peace with justice and added that it was sound common sense to make this the cornerstone for a sound creative foreign policy.

He was addressing the National Council of Jewish Women in the United States.

He said that results already achieved by the United Nations in the Middle East were encouraging, considering the circumstances.

But he warned that the road ahead was long and difficult.

### BASIC PROBLEM

He said the United Nations had succeeded in bringing about a cease-fire, and the withdrawal of armed forces from the area and that the clearance of the Suez Canal is in sight.

It remained to find a solution of the basic problems which gave rise to the present crisis, Mr Wilcox said.

He added that there would be no lasting peace in the Middle East until the problems of the Israel-Arab frontiers, refugees, and the development of natural resources in the area were settled.—France-Presse.

### Royal Pardon

Tehran, Mar. 19. The Shah today granted a royal pardon to 110 former officers convicted of membership in the illegal Tudeh Party organization.

All have had their sentences

reduced and are scheduled to be released on March 20.—United Press.

## IKE SEES HOW A-BOMB WILL BE DROPPED

ON BOARD THE U.S.S. WILLIAM S. WOOD, MAR. 18.

President Eisenhower today came under a mock atom bomb attack while watching a 20-minute firing exercise by Jet Furies and Banshees and conventional Skyraider fighters.

The President, on his way to Bermuda for his conference with Mr Harold Macmillan, the British Prime Minister, saw the attack being made on the Canberra, a guided missile cruiser which has been the "floating White House" since Thursday night.

During the exercise, the "over the shoulder" bombing technique—used for A-bomb attacks—was demonstrated. The plane makes a fast low approach, then a sudden vertical descent over the target, drops the bomb while the nose is still pointing upward, rolls over and away, and escapes the blast.

An official medical report from the Canberra said that the President's car information had cleared up completely and that he had no symptoms of a cold.

### Getting Better

The report by Major General Howard Snyder, the President's personal physician, added that "he does, however, have and will have, probably for some time, an occasional cough, although it is improving each day."

Mr James Hagerly, the presidential press secretary, added "his physical condition is excellent. The cruise has done him a lot of good."—Reuter.

### Off To Gaza Area

Jerusalem, Mar. 19. Mr David Ben-Gurion, the Israeli Prime Minister, left here today for a tour of Israeli settlements and villages bordering the Gaza strip.

He is expected back in Jerusalem before the end of the week and may convene a special Cabinet meeting to hear a report from Mrs Golda Meir, the Foreign Minister, on her talks in the United States on current developments in the Middle East.—China Mail Special.

### French Warn

Tunis, Mar. 19. The French Embassy in Tunis today warned the Tunisian Government that the French delegation would not attend the celebrations marking Tunisia's first year of independence if top-ranking Algerian rebel leader, Ferhat Abbas, was among the official guests.—France-Presse.

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# "Dev" — rides again in Dublin



EAMON DE VALERA — an Irish Institution

by  
**Les Armour**

DE VALERA is an institution rather than a man. At 74, his body must struggle to keep up with his mind and his eyesight has faded.

Gaunt and austere he tramps through the countryside in a black coat, almost black tie, black hat and a stiff gleaming white collar. He looks like an apparition from the long dead past.

Sometimes, too, he talks like one. He lectures the farmers in gentle but firm tones, reminding them of the great dream that was to be Ireland, urging that it is the things of the spirit that matter. It was for the spirit that he stood at the barricades in the uprising that became a massacre in 1916.

He believed then—and he believes now—that given the things of the spirit, the rest will take care of itself.

He wanted the Irish to regain their self-respect, their courage and their language. It was for these that he fought the British.

Other men have sometimes lost faith. Some wonder whether the improvement of the spirit can really cure chronic unemployment and stop continuing mass emigration.

He is a mathematician by profession and the mathematician's world is the world of eternity and infinity. He can wait. Ireland will win.

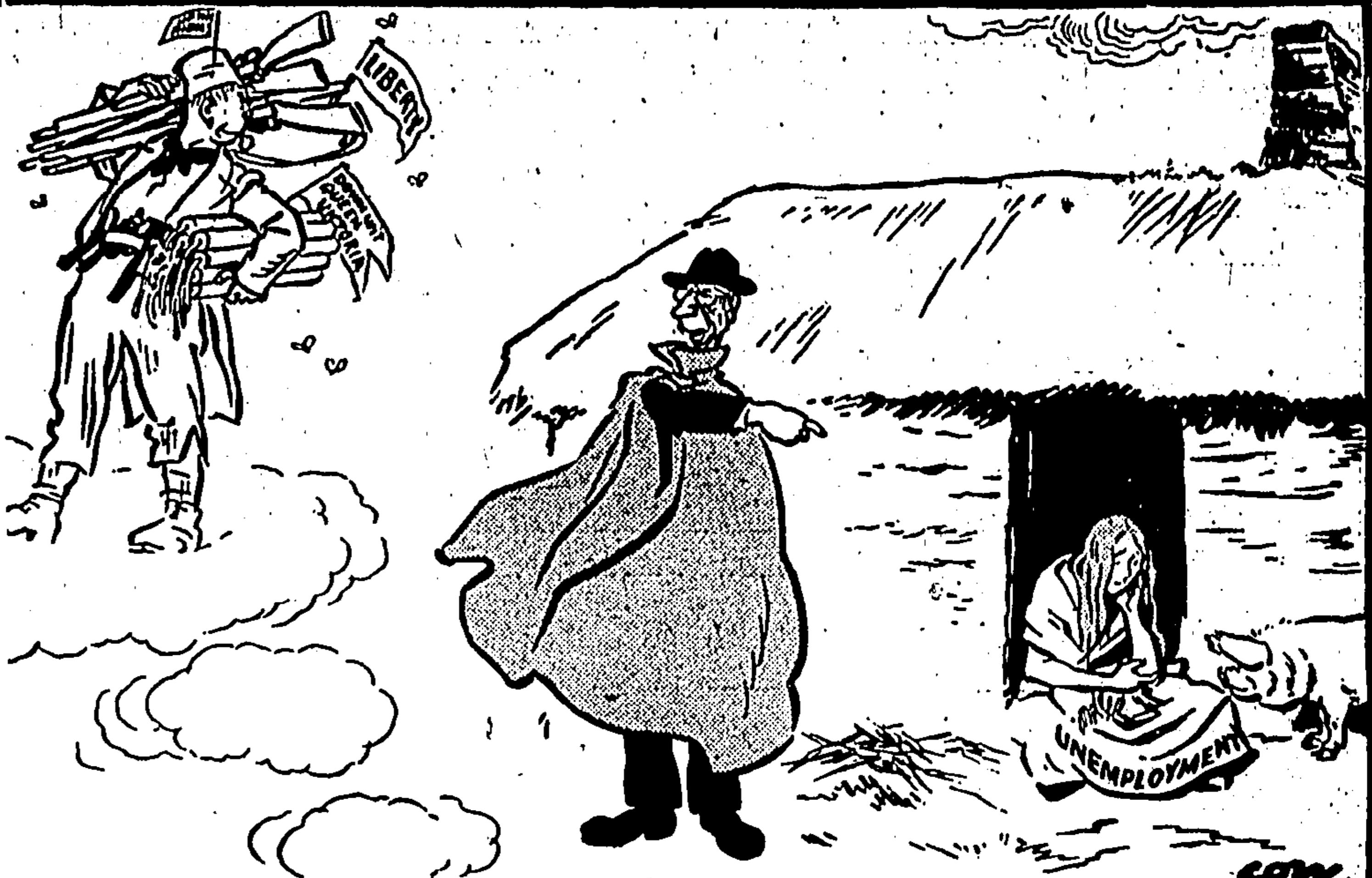
Through his scholar's interest in the Irish language he became interested in the nationalist movement and in the Sinn Fein organisation (founded, curiously, by man with the good Welsh name of Arthur Griffith in 1905).

He joined the underground movement. But he was never thoroughly trusted by its leaders. He was too detached, too scholarly, too unemotional.

In the uprising of 1916 he was appointed Commandant of a detachment. His detachment was the last to surrender and it disposed of more British troops than any other.

All that remained under British rule was Ulster—the perennial thorn, festering continuously in the minds of the extremists who, even now, threaten always to upset the order of the Republic.

But de Valera took it in the light of his own principles. He had been President of the Assembly of the League of Nations in 1938—the last year, as it turned out, in which the League was more than a fiction



## EIRE — ROMANCE AND REALITY

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and the year in which it was rudely thrust aside by all the great powers. He believed that the League had been betrayed on all sides and that the parties to the dispute must reap the consequences.

In retrospect, do Valera's neutralism must seem Quixotic or merely opportunist. The difference between good and evil can hardly ever have been drawn more clearly on the pages of history and no Irishman can really have doubted where evil lay.

## LAST CHANCE

Postwar Ireland has twice shown a marked distaste for the politics of eternity and twice de Valera has been out of office.

Now it has shown a distaste for the confusions of an ineffective condition.

The government has changed because the Irish are tired of unemployment, bad housing, bad plumbing, backward agriculture and unhelpful political chatter.

The Old Man is being given a new chance. Unless he really is an institution and not just a man, this must be his last chance.

And this time he must produce the things of the stomach as well as the things of the spirit, or be repudiated again.

It is not certain that he can do it.

## Shy Scotsmen's Courting Club

SO many teenagers in Scotland want noisy mass of teenagers, to learn about sex and marriage that a "courting couples" club is being formed in the city. Behind the plan is Mrs Mhairi Lane, a housewife who is organising secretaries of girls and mixed clubs in the Dundee area.

The "courting club" will be the first of its kind in Scotland. Says Mrs Lane: "The new club will answer the questions of older boys and girls who have reached the stage of 'going steady'."

"They tend to drift away from their own youth clubs because they can't be

"We'll give talks on home decorating, running repairs,

## GHANA BEGINS TO FACE HER FREEDOM TROUBLES

**"Senyo Antor . . . . God Is Good"**

HERE is not much to laugh about in Ho Hoé today. Ghana troops crash about in armoured cars. The town is fenced by roadblocks. Outside in the villages people are afraid. Yet one man could steady their hearts and set their feet to dance again.

The man is Mr Senyo (which means "God is Good") Antor, a Methodist schoolteacher who is leader of the Togoland Congress.

I drove 250 miles from Accra on the trail of Antor, through steaming villages where the old ones lay like dead men in the shade of favoured trees, past the little shops with names like "Slow but Sure" and "Time will Tell." I had half a dozen narrow escapes from collision with the brutally-driven country buses—trucks crammed with passengers and plastered with "Remember your six feet!" (the slogan—"Let me go home," grave). Could I forget on these roads? "Save me, oh God."

Eventually I traced Antor to the house of one of his friends.

Because of the great heat he sat naked to the waist, his African robe bunched round his legs like a skirt, a bulging briefcase wedged between his sandalled feet. We talked.

Antor, a lean 43 years, campaigned against the joining of the Trust Territory of British Togoland to the new state of Ghana. A plebiscite last year settled that. By 93,000 to 67,000 the territory chose to go in with Nkrumah.

But Antor carries on a militant agitation for a regional government in Southern Togoland, although the new Antor as distinctly funny. The

and for 10 of those years he has served as Prime Minister.

All this is strange. For de Valera is not any man's idea of a politician, let alone an Irishman's. He is not even, by ordinary reckoning, an Irishman.

His father was a Spaniard and he was born in New York on Manhattan Island. His mother was Irish and she brought him to Ireland at the age of two after the death of his father.

He was a serious, intent, determined youth, and he laboured steadily and with regular distinction through the Roman Catholic Schools and the National University of Ireland. In the end, he stayed at the National University as a lecturer in mathematics.

Through his scholar's interest in the Irish language he became interested in the nationalist movement and in the Sinn Fein organisation (founded, curiously, by man with the good Welsh name of Arthur Griffith in 1905).

He joined the underground movement. But he was never thoroughly trusted by its leaders. He was too detached, too scholarly, too unemotional.

In the uprising of 1916 he was appointed Commandant of a detachment. His detachment was the last to surrender and it disposed of more British troops than any other.

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But de Valera took it in the light of his own principles. He had been President of the Assembly of the League of Nations in 1938—the last year, as it turned out, in which the League was more than a fiction

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### PRIME MINISTER

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The war overtook the new republic within a year of the final negotiations with Britain and de Valera promptly declared Ireland neutral. The decision, either way, was bound to split the country—and badly.

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## SPORTS VIEWPOINT

## JAPAN IS RATHER BEHIND THE TIMES IN HER OUTLOOK ON TABLE TENNIS

Says ERIC NICHOLLS

Japan leads the table tennis world—in the playing sense. But some of the recent reported comments from her top players and officials suggest that she is rather behind the times in her outlook on the sport. First Ichiro Ogimura tells us that the leading manufacturers and players want sponge banned only to protect their own personally endorsed bats.

## Invited For The Malayan Tour

The names of the 14 cricketers invited to represent Hongkong in the forthcoming tour of Malaya, selected on Sunday evening, were released to the press this morning.

The 14 invited are: P. Findlay (Captain), P. V. Dodge (Vice-Captain), Capt. H. S. Bedson, Cpl. M. H. Birley, B. C. N. Carnell, B. P. Dhaber, Tpr. W. Greenhalgh, Pte. D. W. Pettit, G. A. Souza, I. L. Stanton, L. J. D'Almada Remedios, Sgt. A. Taylor, Capt. P. D. Tidley, WO D. Welch.

## Dutch Girl Lowers Two World Swim Records

The Hague, Mar. 10. Tineke Lagerberg, a 16-year-old Netherlands girl, tonight lowered two world butterfly breast-stroke women's swimming records in a 25-metre pool at Naarden.

She clocked 2 minutes, 38.0 seconds over 200 yards, beating the previous world record held by America's Shelly Mann, with 2 minutes, 44.4 seconds, and her own 200 metres record of 2 minutes, 42.3 seconds.

Another Netherlands swimming prodigy, 16-year-old Ada Den Haan, set up a new record for the women's 220 yards orthodox breast-stroke, when she clocked 2 minutes, 50 seconds, the minimum time set by the International Swimming authorities to establish this record.

Tonight's records will be short-lived, because the international authorities have decided that all records set up in 25 metres and other short pools will no longer be valid after May 1st this year. Only 50 metres pool performances will be counted.—France-Press.

## Good Neighbour Tennis Turney At Miami

Miami Beach, Florida, Mar. 10. Herb Flan swept past two opponents today in the Good Neighbour tennis tournament and most of the other seeded stars advanced without difficulty. Flan, top-seeded, disposed of Job Blackman, 6-2, 6-4, and Lt.-Col. T. W. Bonner, 6-4, 6-3.

Mervyn Rose and Don Candy, Australians top-seeded in the foreign draw, failed to appear for their scheduled matches, but officials reported they were expected tomorrow.

Wie Solens, seeded second in the Men's Singles, downed David Harum, 6-3, 6-4, and moved through the second round by default.

Gardner Mulloy, who won his first-round match yesterday, eliminated Jimmy Shakespeare, 6-2, 7-5.

Eddie Moylean, seeded third, beat Ed. Bennett, 6-1, 6-4, and then beat Hernando Salas of Bogota, Colombia, 6-1, 6-3.

Jerry Moss was extended to win from Harry Hoffman, 6-6, 6-4, before dropping Stanley Cohen, 6-0, 6-0.

Darlene Hard, eighth-ranked U.S. woman player and top seeded domestically here, was pushed to three sets by England's Pauline Edwards before winning, 6-0, 4-6, 6-2, to lead seeded players into the third round of the Women's Singles.

In other Men's Singles, Armando Vieira of Sao Paulo, Brazil, defeated Willian Alyres of Colombia, 6-1, 6-4, and Marion Llamos of Mexico City defeated Andre Donnacieu, U.S. 6-1, 6-4.—United Press.

## HOME SOCCER

Carlisle, Mar. 10. Carlisle United and Accrington Stanley drew 2-2 in a Third Division North soccer match played here tonight. The score at half time was 1-1.

The match had been postponed from January 5.—Reuters.

The fact that most sponge bats are sponsored by players plus the fact that one leading tennis manufacturer is likely to be left with over 2,000 sponge bats on his hands if the bat is banned in England, speaks for itself.

But now the holders of the Swindon and Corbridge Cups have put their Oriental foot in the door. Something old, something new. Right now the emphasis in cricket is on the new ideas to improve the general standard of the game, and in doing so to bring back some of the game's lost public appeal.

Japan is pressing the World Table Tennis Federation to ban professionals from amateur tournaments. An admirable proposal you might think. But it is hardly one that can be approved, or even voted on, for that matter. For the simple fact remains that in table tennis there is no such person as a professional or an amateur.

In these days when, on the one hand, sports legislators, particularly the British, are being criticised for their "true blue" attitude towards amateurism, and on the other, state sponsored countries, particularly those behind the Iron Curtain, are being branded professionals in amateur clothing, table tennis stands out as an example to all.

Table tennis refuses to discriminate. As far as this sport is concerned, all are players.

That is how it should be. But I'm rather surprised at the world champion country's lack of knowledge.

ODD END

When before the World Championships in Stockholm, the Japanese team protested that several of the prizes for exceeded the authorised spending limit, it was discovered that

There was a day, not so long ago, when South African amateur footballers dreamed of coming to England to play for a Football League club.

Former Charlton Athletic manager Jimmy Seedi started the ball rolling shortly after the war by bringing over top liners like Sid O'Linn, Eddie Firmani, John Hewie, Stuart Leary and Ken Chamberlain.

Then Sunderland secured the services of Ted Purdon, a blond bombshell of centre-forward.

O'Linn and Leary made their mark in county cricket as well.

And then Firmani moved to more remunerative soccer circles in Italy.

But it's not all jam and honey in the world of play for pay.

The South Africans are finding this out. O'Linn is going home at the end of the season to settle in South Africa. He lost his League place at Charlton earlier this season.

Ken Chamberlain, who seemed

all set for great things until a broken leg dimmed his hopes, is now a reserve player. And this week, Ted Purdon moved from First Division Sunderland to Third Division Workington.

Now, Firmani apart, only

Scottish international left back John Hewie, and Stuart Leary remain in the top bracket. And their club, Charlton, are certainties for relegation to the Second Division next season.—London Express Service.

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## Three-Way Tie In Pro-Amateur Golf Turney

Palm Beach, Florida, Mar. 10. Sam Snod, Bud Holscher and Lloyd Mangrum, fought threatening skies and a brisk offshore wind today for a three under par 68 and a three-way tie at the halfway point of the \$10,000 Seminole pro-amateur tournament.

Jimmy Demaret was in fourth place with a 70. Far back, but still with a chance in the 36-hole event, was Ben Hogan with a 73.

Gardner Dickinson Jr., who fired a 72, teamed with amateur William Curran for a team score of 61 and a tie for the lead in the pro-amateur division. Curran had a handicap of 13.

Tied with them were Holscher and amateur Stan Walker, whose handicap of nine helped them score a best ball of 61.

Demaret and his partner, Mr. Bedford Davis, shot a 62 to tie for third place with Peter Thomson of Melbourne, Australia and amateur Anthony Wilson.

—United Press.

## ICE HOCKEY

London, Mar. 10. The British ice hockey team from Brighton tonight defeated the United States national team by 13-5 in a match at Brighton, Sussex.

Period scores were 1-4, 6-1,

0-0.—France-Press.

## SAMMY TRAINS WITH HIS PROTEGE



Olympic Gold Medal flyweight Terry Spinks (right), now a professional, and a newly-retired Sammy McCarthy, who is hoping to become the youngest manager, meet around the punching bag at the Thomas A'Beckett Gymnasium, Old Kent Road, London. Sammy, who has applied for a manager's license, was at the gym to help with Terry's training. For the youngster makes his professional debut on the Harringay bill next month. McCarthy has followed Spinks' career for some years.—Reuterphoto.

## SIX DAYS TO THE FLAT RACING SEASON

## SMYTH PLAYS DOWN SUCCESS BUT HIS HORSES LOOK GOOD

By RICHARD BAERLEIN

Epsom trainer Ron Smyth began our interview by bemoaning the fact that he saddled only 16 winners last season. This is a family trait in the Smyths and they play down their successes.

I answered that he would not be building 38 completely new boxes and a brand new house if he was not a successful trainer.

As the trainer said, he wishes she was two inches taller.

GOLDEN CITY was rather disappointing last season in that she won only one race. She was bad at the gate but the stable is changing and there are some really nice horses who will require a little time.

At the end of the season, Ron Smyth will certainly not admit to having done well, whatever the record of his horses, but I shall be very surprised if his owners are not fully satisfied with the season's results.

—London Express Service.

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The trainer will be sending a strong team to Lincoln including POMPEIENNE, very fit from hurdling, CANOE, a winner of three races last season, RIO, a son of Panorama, who began last season in Paddy Frerden's stable, and ARGOSY ROYAL, a Golden Cloud colt, who will run in the Brockway Stakes. CLOUTIE is very forward.

From his breeding and his looks he could be anything, and although the trainer has done little with him to date it will be surprising if he does not win good races. And he could easily become a classic colt.

TWO FILLIES

Mr Taylor also owns two fillies worthy of mention—the three-year-old ATOPA and the two-year-old TULARIA.

ATOPA ran three times last season; although she did not win, she performed with credit and is sure to win this season. TULARIA is a daughter of Tulyar—on the small side but perfectly proportioned. This is a most attractive filly. Though

A two-year-old who will not reach his best until the autumn colt is one to note.

DIOCESI is a useful-looking son of Milord who ran in Ireland last season and came over for a two-year-old race at Goodwood.

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## That Medal Changes Life Of Brasher

By BOB FERRIER

How fares Chris Brasher? Mr Brasher, our crude steeplechaser who ran and jumped to better effect than the best of the rest of the world at Melbourne and gave us the first British Olympic track success in uneventful years.

And since Brasher's success in the Games came just three months ago, it seemed to me a good time to offer a report on the aftermath, and how the life and times of Brasher have changed.

As befits a rising young oil company executive in these straitened times, Brasher is brisk, businesslike, very much to the point.

## FINAL CRACK

I had been fooling around in athletics without much success in such a way that a year before Melbourne I decided to have a real final crack at it.

Life became a round of work, training, and, too often, too little sleep, too little time for personal interests, too little time for my friends. I kept consulting myself that after Melbourne I could relax and enjoy things that were important to me.

Now I find I have less free time, less less sleep than ever before!

Brasher's current score is one invitation accepted from every 10. He receives—and even at that, he is involved in the social and laudatory swim at least five evenings a week.

Brasher, of course, was the gent always just out of focus when the cameras hit the track trilogy. Bannister—Chataway—Brasher, but since Melbourne he stands bathed in the full glare of the public spotlight, from lunch at the Mansion House all the way to Lime Grove.

He finds it all exciting, stimulating and, sometimes, very tiring.

Like so many of his generation, Brasher relishes a variety of off-time interests. He likes climbing. He worships ballet, Post-Melbourne, he has seen one play. He has seen no ballet.

## OBVIOUS

He is still dunned by the dragons of newspapers and television life, and he counters it with a certain resigned, optimistic melancholia. One never complains, of course, he says, with a look that makes the statement aggressively obvious, "and, in any case, it is sinking in slightly now."

On top of all this he has to "pick up" business contacts" lost during that three-month Olympic. One of the humiliations of his "silver" year was his loss of a horse, his "old friend," which he brought home from Australia and opened the doors of life for him.

We both agreed, it might, but we both disagreed enough to let it go at that. For Brasher, as for everyone else, there will

be his showing Miss Kwong looks set for a repeat performance in this year's Championships and the only obstacle in her path to winning the three major titles will be Miss Ullan Kho who is most likely to overcome Diana Yung. In tonight's singles semi-final.

## THE RESULTS

Results of last night's games were:

Senior Men's Singles: Lee Wing-soon beat M.A. Ibrahim 16-3, 16-8.

Senior Men's Doubles: K.C. Wong and George Ma beat T.T. Chin and K.W. Hung 12-15, 15-7.

Ladies' Senior Doubles: Mrs M. Goncalves and Mrs. O. Silva beat Mrs. M. Rozario and Mrs. I. Chapman 15-10, 15-10.

Senior Mixed Doubles: K.S. Low and Ullan Kho beat Siu Chuen and Tsui Yuen 15-0, 15-7.

R. Toy and Diana Yung beat M.T. Yam and Dorothy Lam 17-15, 15-8.

# Billy Milne (PLUS POCKETFUL OF PLASTERS) Helps To Spin Some Highbury History

By **GEORGE WHITING**

THE Gunners of Arsenal should be firing at least 30 salutes this week from that ancient piece of artillery that adorns those marble halls of Highbury.

Why? Because Billy Milne, that braw and equally ancient chunk of Scottish gumption, is about to celebrate his thirtieth year as assistant trainer and trainer of the club.

Thirty years of bumps, bumps, bruises, blisters, abrasions, and temperaments. Thirty years of heartaches and headaches. Thirty years of triumph. Thirty years that began with a bucket and sponge and are now represented by a medical kit resembling a brandy office of the National Health Service.

Why, he has even got a table knife for scraping mud off boots and a tea-spoon for quick administration of health salts. And no cracks from Tottenham, please, about Arsenal players who look as though they could use a dose of health salts.

## EYES GLINT

Our Mr Milne, with a burr as thick as heather honey and with all the delicacy of an old briket, suggested that it might be a good idea if I did not mention his exact age in this brief account of his sojourn at Highbury.

So we will merely note in passing that his bristling hair is still plentiful but unmistakably silver, that his grey eyes glint, and that if he sees 60 again he sure will recognise it.

For 30 years he has looked after the limbs of the most publicised football club in the world. Before that six years as a player in the same club's half-back line. And it doesn't seem a day too long.

At the eaglet age of 11, Billy Milne was delivering milk in Buckle Banffshire, for a wage of £2 every six months. But, being of a voluptuous nature, he

went out after even bigger money to satisfy his craving for excitement.

Slogging away at newspaper deliveries at sixpence a night, the young rip was soon up to all sorts of devilry—like playing golf with a walking stick and moonlight futba' in bare feet. Lossmouth was first to claim Billy Milne's football team loyalties as an amateur half-back—in the intervals of earning a living as a tailor's apprentice. Then came the 1914-18 war, with Billy showing killed knees in a much more serious cause. Four years of it in France.

## WON DCM

Not many people at Highbury, even today, will know that Sergeant Milne won the DCM when only four Seaforth Highlanders came through—out of a full platoon—during the German push of 1917. Sergeant Milne also collected shrapnel in his tunny and his right knee.

## SEEN THEM ALL

Cup medals, League championships, pots, pans, trophies, Billy Milne has seen them all come to Highbury. He has heard both the hoary of achievement and the howls of anguish. And he has travelled the world.

It was of these and other football things that we talked amid the highly sanitary smells of Arsenal's treatment room—whose snow-white couches have known and comforted the most publicised aches and pains in the world of sport, from Denis Compton's knee upwards and downwards.

No, trainer Milne has no medical degrees, no magic potions. Just a pocketful of plasters in his rainproof windcheater—and 30 years of experience.

Any fool can buy plasters.

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## Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail,  
My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

of the ..... Club.

(Signed) .....



This week's spotlight shines brightly on Gunner Robin Weate of 173 Locating Battery R.A., a modest young man who has done much to popularise athletics in his Battery and whose efforts in local major competitions have largely been overshadowed by the phenomenal Bob Page.

This week in the Army Championships he came into his own and captured the three miles title in 15 minutes 42 seconds, the mile in 4 minutes 48.6 and came second to Pte Mick Dolson, Green Howards, in an 800m thriller which came within two seconds of creating a Land Forces record.

Robin hails from Farnham, Surrey, and ran as a schoolboy for that County. Aged twenty, he is a short term regular soldier and is due to return home next August. He is as yet undecided on the work he intends to take up in civilian life, but I have no doubt that his name will feature in English middle distance running before long. Good luck for the Colours Championships, Robin.

The Army Fencing Club announces that the Land Forces Fencing Championships for Fec, Epee, and Sabre will be held from March 25 to 28. Entries should have been with the Secretary, Capt. H.W.N. Grace, RE, at CRE Mainland Office by March 18 but, if you've forgotten—well get on the phone at once.

## SURPRISED

Well done, Hussars. I for one did not expect your wonderful victory in the FAREL Team Boxing semi-final against 30 Bn, RAC.

It seems that the weather kept away the large crowd expected but those who braved the elements had their fill of excitement and suspense.

The visitors started well when their bantam, Pte. Zafiah, a Malay, after feeling his way for the first round with Tpr. Jerry Smyth, opened up in the second and soon put Jerry to sleep.

Featherweight Cpl. Vic Keymer, a stylish boxer, met the rugged Tpr. Arthur Flinney and early on by sheer aggression got on top. Keymer, however, after a count of eight in the second came back strongly and certainly took the third round.

The judges elected the trooper as winner and this decision met with a very mixed reception.

Boat three saw a Hussar, David met an Ordnance Gunner when Tpr. Danny Cooper met Pte. Alex Huxtable. Danny soon had his opponent in trouble and the referee stopped the contest with the usual disagreement of the crowd.

Pte. Sun Elver proved far too good for Tpr. James McManus, and in an excellent bout a very stylish boxer in Pte. Charlie Billingham, knocked Cpl. Paddy Hanlon in the second round.

L/Cpl. Norman Riley, Hussars, defeated Pte. Harry Hall by KO route to level matters at three all at the interval.

Cpl. Les Coon was far superior as a boxer when meeting Tpr. John Doherty, but again the Hussars' tactics of aggressive attack coupled with complete fitness paid off and Doherty rightly took the decision.

Tpr. Brian Cassidy kept hopes high when he kayoed Pte. Paul Jeffery, and after an excellent bout L/Cpl. Alan Collis made certain of victory when he was given a points decision over Sig. Johnny Manser.

Cpl. Stanley Birch of the Hussars was either unaware that his team had won, or wanted to make certain and in a furious rush and flurry hammered his opponent, L/Cpl. Charles Barnes, into unconsciousness.

Cpl. Johnny Grimes of 30 Bn was given a KO decision over L/Cpl. Robert Bruce which caused a lot of speculation but could not detract from the excellent showing and deserved victory of the 7 Hussars.

Speaking to the visitors after the match, they were loud in their praises of the Hussars team and expressed their very best wishes to them for success in the final round.

## ENGLISH WEATHER

Typical English weather, a cold wind and driving rain, saw the 1 Northamptons start their farewell match in the semi-final of the Caldecott Cup before a small crowd of huffy spectators when they faced the 27 LAA Rgt. RA, winners of the Major Units Cup.

Within a few seconds the Infantrymen were one up and this gave them inspiration. They certainly settled down to the conditions better than the Gunners and brought the slippery ball under control more quickly. David Ballard at right half had a particularly good day, and late in the first half the 27 felt that it was far from funny when inside right Danny Kaye rocketed a header into the net from a cross from the right wing to make it 2-0.

The Gunners threw everything into attack when the second half opened and were rewarded after four minutes when Knight scored in a grand scoring shot. End to end play continued with nine misses on both sides.

Winning team members were Lieut-Colonel J. J. Sullivan, OBE, D. V. Taylor, HADC, and Martin from the Gunners tried hard and had cruel luck with

## HOLLYWOOD ACTRESS SAYS

# COUPLES WHO STAY APART FOR SHORT PERIODS STAY TOGETHER LONGER

By RON BURTON

Hollywood. Married actress Jan Sterling takes exception to those who feel that a marriage has little chance for success if a husband and wife pursue separate careers.

"Many persons can't seem to understand that it is quite conceivable—the business of maintaining separate careers," she said. "That is, in combination with a normal, happily married life."

There is a valid comparison between such a set-up and any partnership, she believes.

"To me, success in marriage has the same chance as success in a business partnership," she said. "Most women, I suppose quite a few men, feel that unless they latch onto their mates with a tenacity like a leech, the partnership may disintegrate. This is the furthest from the truth."

Miss Sterling's views are based on practical experience. In private life she is the wife of actor Paul Douglas. She says their marriage is a happy one—perhaps because of their careers rather than in spite of them.

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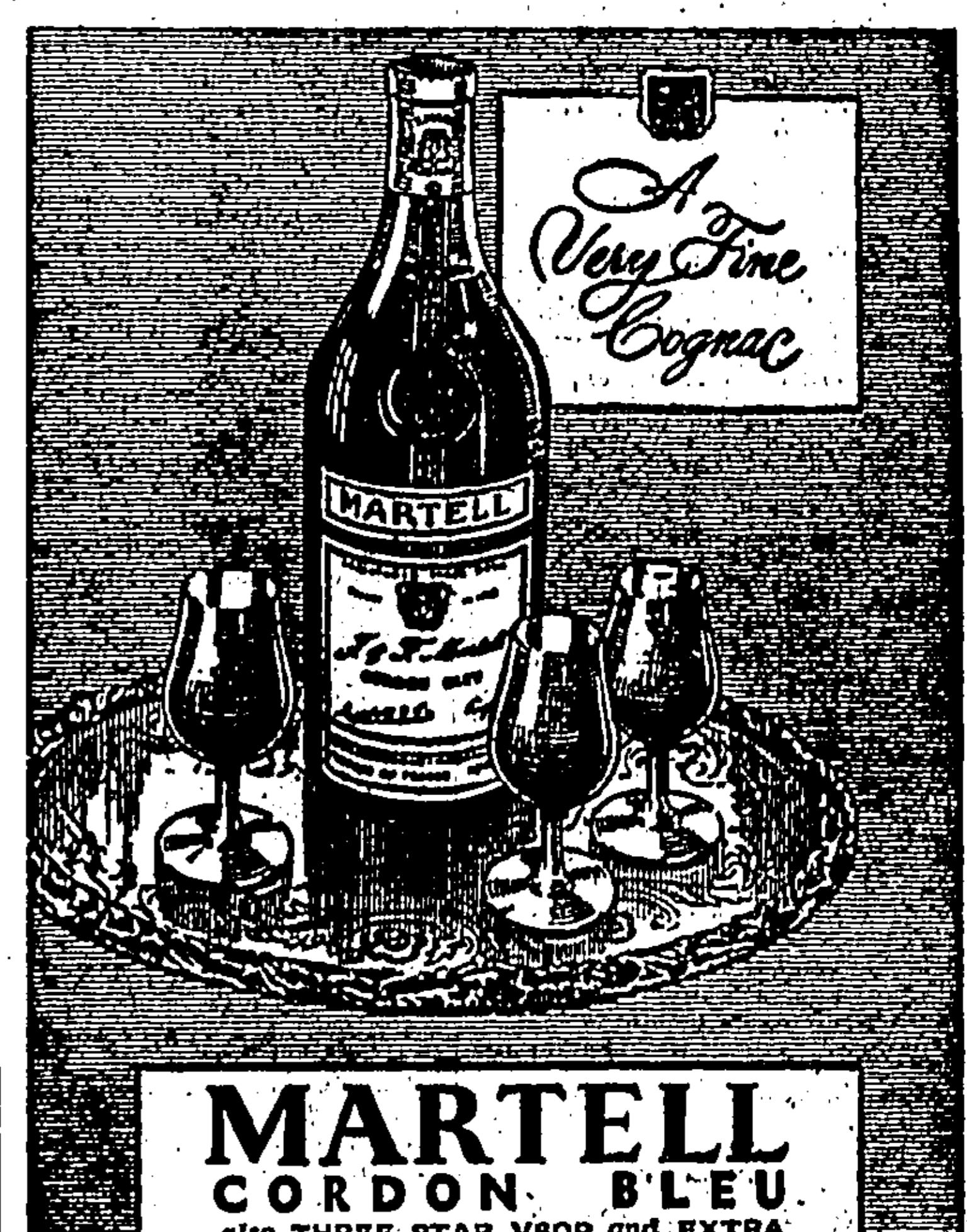
"I certainly approve of acting schools, but some are teaching introspection to a point that new young actors are putting on plays of their own instead of becoming part of a group communication," Miss Booth said.

"A word from the theatrically wise may be helpful and the actress has noticed that actors who tend to stay with their authors instead of trying to

## Spain Beats Austria At Basketball

Vienna, Mar. 19. Spain beat Austria by 62 to 58 in a closely fought international basketball match in Vienna tonight.

The Austrian team was leading by 34 to 28 at halftime—France-Presse.



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Major Step In Development Of  
US Fleet Ballistic Missile

New York, Mar. 19.  
A major step in the development of one of the United States navy's top priority projects, the Fleet Ballistic Missile, was taken with the commissioning in New York of an experimental navigational ship, the Compass Island.

The mission of the Compass Island is to assist in the development and evaluation of a navigational system independent of shore-based assistance. The key to the ship's ultimate, all-weather, all-altitude, day-and-night capability is its special navigational system, which is based on fundamental investigations and research performed for the United States navy by Dr Charles Draper, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The system determines ship position (latitude and longitude), true north, and the ship's speed. Refinements of the basic system and manufacture of the first units are being carried out by the Sperry Gyroscope Company.

## Celestial Trackers

To check and periodically correct the system, the Compass Island will take to sea several "celestial trackers", or miniature observatories. The trackers, when once pointed toward heavenly bodies, will automatically track these bodies, giving continuous celestial information for determining positions.

The miniature observatories are mounted on a 67-ton navigational tower just forward of the ship's super-structure. This tower provides a rigid structure, isolated from flexures, to give fixed reference planes from which to make celestial computation.

A complex air foil-shaped dome has been appended to the bottom of the ship's hull to house special sonar equipment to measure the speed of the vessel. This huge dome is designed to make the reading of sonar echoes easier and more precise while the ship is moving.

## Missile Ships

The navigational system will not only help missile ships, but may also eventually help all types of ships, from ocean-going liners to the smallest motorboat. It may also bring about revolutionary changes in the field of cartography.

"Even after approximately ten centuries of development, the science of navigation is still insufficiently accurate for long range surface-to-surface missile launching and, as every mariner knows, present day maps and charts suffer from varying degrees of inaccuracy," said an official announcement. "With the perfection of the new navigational techniques these maps and charts can be made extremely accurate."

The Compass Island, once a fast cargo ship named the Garden Mariner, will be one of the most comfortable riding ships in the United States Navy. It has the best automatic steering available, and a device for roll-stabilisation. When its sister ships are rolling 15 degrees, Compass Island, in the same seaway, will roll about one degree and a half.

The 17,800-ton vessel is 304 feet long and has been modernised to provide excellent living space for the crew. It also has space for a large number of scientists to work and live aboard.—China Mail Special.

## Meyer's Visit

Luxembourg, Mar. 19.  
Rene Meyer, President of the High Authority of the European coal and steel community, will visit the United States at the end of the month to follow personally the final negotiations concerning the floating of the community's \$35,000,000 loan on the American financial market, it was learned today.

The coal and steel pool intends to float the loan in April.—France-Press.

Offered Bribe For  
Official Secrets'

Washington, Mar. 19.  
James Hoffa, "strong man" of the giant Teamsters Union, was indicted today on charges of conspiring to bribe an employee of the Senate labour Rackets Committee to slip him confidential Committee documents.

A Federal Grand Jury also indicted Hyman Fischbach, the Miami lawyer who allegedly was the link between the Teamsters' vice-president and the Committee aide, a New York lawyer, John Cheaney. Cheaney co-operated with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in cracking the case.

Both Hoffa and Fischbach were accused in the three-count indictment of bribery, obstruction of justice and conspiracy to influence the Senate Committee and defraud the United States. If convicted, they would face maximum penalties ranging up to five years in prison and a fine three times the amount of the alleged bribe.—United Press.

Newspapers To  
Be Prosecuted

Toronto, Mar. 19.  
The Attorney-General of Ontario, Mr. John Roberts, announced today he was launching a prosecution against the Toronto Telegraph, under the Lord's Day Act for publication of a newspaper last Sunday.

Mr. Roberts also told the Ontario legislature that he was consenting to prosecutions against Toronto's two other daily newspapers—the Morning Globe and Mail and the Evening Star—as well as the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and radio station CKYE.

The Act forbids the operation of certain business and sports on Sundays.—China Mail Special.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

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And His Cricket  
Among Pianos

By HAIG NICHOLSON

Capetown, Mar. 19.

Being described as a musician on his passport has led white-bearded, British-born Anthony Collins, an authority on the composer Sibelius, into spots of trouble with immigration officials in various parts of the world.

"I am continually asked what instrument I play," he said on board the ship which brought him to take up a four-month appointment as guest conductor of Capetown Municipal Orchestra.

"When I say I play a violin, the officials want to describe me as a violinist. But that is not strictly correct for I also conduct and conduct."

"When I tell them this, they want to put me down as a conductor, but that could mean that I sell tickets on a train or a bus!"

"Then they suggest that I be described as a composer. But for goodness sake, people might then think I set up type or something."

## SOCIAL SCALE

As he spoke light-heartedly, with a twinkle in his eye, he waved his breakfast fork.

"I am a musician pure and simple," he went on, "but my rise to fame as a musician has been climbing down the social scale. First I played, then I conducted, and now I compose."

He broke off talking about music quite suddenly and recalled his last visit to Capetown 45 years ago.

"You know what I remember best about Capetown?" he asked. "I played my first game of golf here—at the Metropolitan Course—and at the second I holed out in one."

Sixty-three years old, Mr. Collins has always had a keen

sense of humour. Born at Hastings, he became a violinist in a local orchestra at the age of ten.

## CRICKET

He left school at 14, and was apprenticed to a piano maker. But a life-long enthusiasm for cricket lost him his first job. Too many pianos were damaged by bating in the workshop.

Then he joined a travelling circus as a cornet player.

"But," he recalls, "when I found that the job included cleaning out the stables I climbed off the band-wagon and ran back home."

## START CAREER

He started his career seriously in 1910, as a violinist with Hastings Municipal Orchestra.

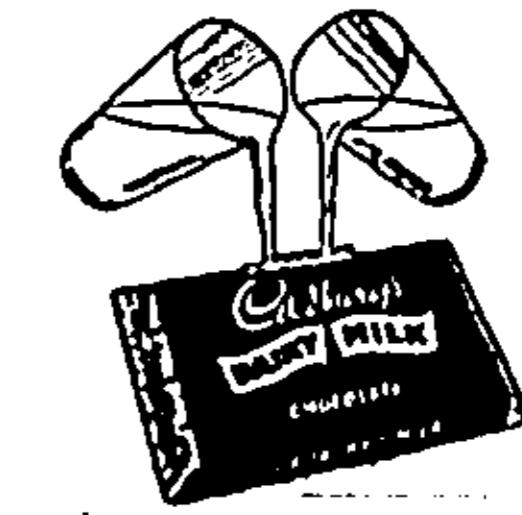
The First World War took him to Salonika, where he met Gustav Holst and helped to organize concerts for his fellow soldiers.

Later, he was principal viola with the London Symphony Orchestra, and by 1938 he had, at one time or another, played practically every instrument. He made his London debut as a conductor in 1938, and since 1939 he has lived mostly in the United States although he is still a British subject.

He is a staunch supporter of British music. He has written many songs, suites, overtures and other light works for orchestra and has done piano forte arrangements for Schubert and Mozart. In London, he founded his own orchestra—the London Mozart Orchestra.

He has also written the music for many films.

He has a number of engagements in the United States on the conclusion of his present engagement in South Africa.—China Mail Special.

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Japanese Mothers  
Lift Sit Down  
Demonstrations

Tokyo, Mar. 19.

Japanese mothers of senior high school applicants in Kochi Prefecture, Western Japan, today agreed to let their children receive entrance examinations.

More than two hundred mothers launched a sit down demonstration yesterday opposing the introduction of senior high school entrance examinations.

The Education Ministry here said seven out of 25 senior high school in the Prefecture had decided to introduce entrance examinations due to an increase in applicants. The Education Ministry said there were 2,704,117 students in the 3,000 senior high schools in Japan.

Of a total of 1,871,002 junior high school graduates in March last year, 901,000 or 51.3 percent entered senior high schools.—Reuter.

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Washington, Mar. 19.  
West Germany no longer needed United States economic and military aid, William Randolph Hearst Jr. said in a report to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, published today.

In his report, made at the Committee's request, Hearst, head of a large newspaper chain, said West Germany's financial reserves were sufficient to allow it to buy the military equipment it needed to fulfil its obligations towards the Nato.—France-Press.



